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A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – URBAN FORESTRY GRANT FOR EMERALD ASH BORER IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, UPDATE TREE INVENTORY TO DETERMINE URBAN TREE CANOPY AND TREE PLANTING DIVERSITY.

Introduced by Mayor Merkes

WHEREAS, the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been found in the Fox Cities of Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Menasha desires to take a proactive approach in preparing for the arrival of EAB; and,

WHEREAS, the implementation of pre-emptive removal of Ash trees, replanting a diversity of species in our urban forest, and updating our tree inventory to gain greater understanding of the city's trees (diversity/condition) and re-calculate the urban canopy.

WHEREAS, The City of Menasha hereby requests financial assistance under s. 20.370, Wis. Stats., Chapter NR 47, Wis. Admin. Code, for the purpose of funding urban and community forestry projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Menasha authorizes the Superintendent of Parks, Forestry and Cemeteries to act on the City's behalf to:

- Submit an application to the Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance under s. 20.370, Wis. Stats., Chapter NR 47, Wis. Admin. Code;
- Sign necessary documents; and
- Submit a final report.

Passed and approved this day of July	, 2016
	Donald Merkes, Mayor
ATTEST:	
	Deborah A. Galeazzi, City Clerk